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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/741,306	Applicant(s) WENGROVITZ ET AL.	
	Examiner BETTY LEE	Art Unit 2619	

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 November 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5 and 13-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5 and 13-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 21 November 2007 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham v. John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:

1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.
3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.

3. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

4. Claims **1-5** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gallant (US 2002/0131575) in view of Sternagle (US 2002/0184376).

Regarding claim 1, Gallant teaches a server (see Fig. 4 Box 22) coupled to the voice switch (see Fig. 4 Box 14) and the network of one or more first devices (see Fig. 4 Box 18), the server maintaining for at least one of the first devices a logical device adhering to the first protocol (see Fig. 4 Box 22), the server further receiving media directed to the logical device and redirecting the media to the first device (see Fig. 4 Box 30). Gallant teaches all the subject matter of the claimed invention with the exception of maintaining separate logical devices.

However, Sternagle teaches a single device with multiple SIP devices within it (see paragraph 29). Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to use the system of Sternagle in the system of Gallant to reduce bottleneck and increase performance.

Regarding claim 2, Gallant further teaches the server further translates media transmitted to the logical device according to the first protocol to media adhering to the second protocol (see paragraph 31 lines 16-18), the media adhering to the second protocol being redirected to the first device (see paragraph 34 lines 1-4).

Regarding claim 3, Gallant further teaches where the first protocol is a private signaling and voice protocol (see paragraph 30 lines 5-9).

Regarding claim 4, Gallant further teaches where the second protocol is a session initiation protocol (see paragraph 30 lines 5-9).

Regarding claim 5, Gallant further teaches the server stores a mapping of an address associated with the logical device with an address associated with the first device (see paragraph 34 lines 1-4).

5. Claims **13-19** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Young et al. (US 2003/0093563) in view of Sternagle (US 2002/0184376).

Regarding claim 13, Young teaches receiving from the voice switch a first message indicative of a first communication port to be used by a particular device for receiving media (see paragraph 77 lines 1-5); receiving from the particular device a second message indicative of a second communication port to be used by the particular device for receiving media (see paragraph 76 lines 1-7); and reconciling a difference between the first communication port and the second communication port (see paragraph 80 lines 1-6). Young teaches all the subject matter of the claimed invention with the exception of maintaining separate logical devices.

However, Sternagle teaches a single device with multiple SIP devices within it (see paragraph 29). Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to use the system of Sternagle in the system of Young to reduce bottleneck and increase performance.

Regarding claim 14, Young further teaches mapping the first communication port to the second communication port (see paragraph 75 lines 7-12); receiving media addressed to the first communication port; and redirecting the media to the second communication port (see paragraph 75 lines 7-12).

Regarding claim 15, Young further teaches where the mapping statically allocates the first communication port to the second communication port (see paragraph 80 lines 1-7).

Regarding claim 16, Young further teaches where the mapping dynamically allocates the first communication port to the second communication port (see paragraph 80 lines 1-7).

Regarding claim 17, Young further teaches translating media transmitted to the first communication port according to the first protocol to media adhering to the second protocol (see paragraph 82 lines 1-6), where the redirecting of the media comprises redirecting the media adhering to the second protocol to the second communication port (see paragraph 77 lines 1-5).

Regarding claim 18, Young further teaches where the first protocol is a private signaling and voice protocol (see paragraph 82 lines 1-6).

Regarding claim 19, Young further teaches where the second protocol is a session initiation protocol (see paragraph 82 lines 1-6).

Conclusion

6. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the

shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to BETTY LEE whose telephone number is (571)270-1412. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 9-5 EST and alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hassan Kizou can be reached on (571) 272-3088. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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